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DOVER PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the Year 1955.

C. F. LYNCH, M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H.

Medical Officer of Health

Health Department,  
Brook House,  
DOVER.



DOVER PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY  
HEALTH COMMITTEE

To 1st June, 1955

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Health Department,  
Brook House,  
Dover.

To: The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Dover  
acting as the Port Health Authority of the Port of Dover.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the work  
of the Port Health Authority for the year 1955.

It has been prepared in accordance with Ministry of Health  
Circular No. 16/55 and recapitulates the information asked for  
with additions and amendments as required in the Ministry's  
Form Port 20 dated October, 1952.

There was an increase in the amount of shipping entering  
the port and in the number of passengers arriving (Tables  
B & C).

There was also an increase in the number of ships report-  
ing infectious disease on board. None of the quarantinable  
diseases occurred, however, though the occurrence of smallpox  
in Brittany during the early part of the year necessitated extra  
precautions and for a period written Health Declarations were  
obtained from ships from the normally excepted ports, and with  
the co-operation of masters of certain cross-channel vessels  
special attention was paid to passengers from infected areas.

Inspections of vessels during the year showed sanitary  
conditions on board to be generally well maintained, no rats  
having been found in ships entering the port and no verminous  
infestations reported.

Imported foodstuffs dealt with are described in the Section  
on Food Inspection, more items than usual having been detained  
and returned to their country of origin owing to the absence of  
Official Certificates.

I am indebted to H. M. Customs and Immigration Departments,  
to British Railways and other departments associated with the  
work of the Port Health Authority, for their co-operation and  
assistance throughout the year.

I have the honour to be,


Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,



Medical Officer of Health.

MARCH, 1956.



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# Officers and Staff

## Clerk to the Authority

James A. Johnson

Name of Officer	Nature of Appointment	Date of Appointment	Qualifications	Any other Appointments held
Dr. C. F. Lynch	Medical Officer of Health and Medical Inspector of Aliens	1st July, 1948.	M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H.	Medical Officer of Health, Borough of Dover. Medical Officer of Health, Dover Rural District. Medical Officer, Infectious Diseases Hospital, Dover.
Dr. T. J. Nicholl	Deputy Medical Officer of Health and Medical Inspector of Aliens*	1st April, 1955.	F.R.C.S.I., D.P.H.	Temporary Deputy Medical Officer of Health, Borough of Dover.
Mrs. K. A. Walker	Port and Aliens Nurse	1st October, 1937.	C.M.B. and General Training.	
Mr. J.G.B. Whorwell	Senior Port Health and Food Inspector	1st January, 1937	Cert.R.S.I.: Cert. Meat and Food Inspection.	Senior Sanitary Inspector, Borough of Dover.
Mr. B.C. Middlebrook	Port Health and Food Inspector	1st June, 1936.	Cert.S.I.J.B.; Cert. Meat and Food Inspection.	District Sanitary Inspector, Borough of Dover.
Mr. F. W. Bromley	Port Health and Food Inspector	1st June, 1937.	Cert.S.I.J.B.; Cert. Meat and Food Inspection.	District Sanitary Inspector, Borough of Dover.
Mr. P. A. Slater	Port Health and Food Inspector	1st February, 1953.	Cert.S.I.J.B.; Cert. Meat and Food Inspection (1954)	District Sanitary Inspector, Borough of Dover.

Address of Medical Officer of Health: Health Department,  
Brook House,  
Dover.

Telephone: Dover 832.

\*Temporary appointment - for Relief duties only.



SECTION II - AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE DISTRICT DURING THE YEAR

TABLE B

Ships from:	Number:	Tonnage:	Number Inspected		Number of Ships reported as having, or having had during the voyage, infectious disease on board.
			By the Medical Officer of Health	By the Sanitary Inspector	
Foreign Ports	3,667	4,253,637	19*	84	13
Coastwise	416	181,023	-	62	-
TOTAL	4,083	4,434,660	19*	146	13

\* Excluding vessels from cross-channel ports.



SECTION III - CHARACTER OF SHIPPING AND TRADE DURING THE YEAR

TABLE C

PASSENGER TRAFFIC	..	..	{	Number of Passengers	INWARDS	867,547
			{	Number of Passengers	OUTWARDS	850,221
CARGO TRAFFIC	..	..	{	Principal IMPORTS	General merchandise, wines, foodstuffs, coal and timber.	
			{	Principal EXPORTS	Cars and general merchandise.	
PRINCIPAL PORTS from which ships arrive:						
South and West Africa; European; Iberian; Scandinavian and Baltic.						

SECTION IV - INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC

NIL

SECTION V - WATER SUPPLY

1. (a) Source of supply for the district:

Dover Corporation mains and Mid Kent Water Company mains.

(b) Source of supply for shipping:

Dover Corporation mains and Mid Kent Water Company mains. There is also a supply for cross-channel shipping at the Admiralty Pier piped from British Railways' private well at Dover Priory Goods yard.

2. Reports of tests for contamination:

Water derived from mains is as supplied in Borough and regular monthly samples are taken from these supplies by the Health Department for bacteriological examination; bacteriological and chemical examinations are carried out regularly by both undertakings and the results supplied to the Medical Officer of Health. The British Railways' supply has also been kept under observation and has been reported satisfactory bacteriologically.

3. Precautions taken against contamination of hydrants and hosepipes:

Modern type hydrants on dock side. Inspection from time to time by Health Department to ensure cleanliness and serviceable condition of equipment. Also check samples of water from point of delivery to shipping.

4. Number and sanitary condition of water boats, and powers of control by the Authority.

Nil waterboats.

SECTION VI

PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATIONS, 1952

1. List of Infected Areas: (Regulation 6)

Arrangements for the preparation and amendment of the list, the persons to whom it is supplied, and the procedure for supplying it to those persons:

The list, amended weekly from reports received from the Ministry of Health, is maintained by the Medical Officer of Health and circulated weekly to H. M. Customs, the Pilot Services and the local Shipping Agents.

2. Radio Messages:

(a) Arrangements for sending permission by radio for ships to enter the district: (Regulation 13) :

No arrangements other than as described under 2(b).

(b) Arrangements for receiving messages by radio from ships and for acting thereon: (Regulation 14(1)(a) and (2)):

Radio messages from ships received by North Foreland and Niteon Radio Stations and, if from vessels requiring special attention, the messages are normally transmitted by telephone direct to the Port Medical Officer who takes whatever action is appropriate to the circumstances, the Customs and Immigration Authorities being notified as required.

3. Notification otherwise than by Radio: (Regulation 14(1)(b))

Arrangements for receiving notifications otherwise than by radio and acting thereon:

Close liaison maintained between the Port Medical Officer, Shipping Agents and H. M. Customs and provision made for an interchange of all information received regarding the arrival of ships from abroad and for co-ordinated action as required.

4. Mooring Stations: (Regulations 22 to 30)

Situation of stations, and any standing directions issued under these Regulations:

(a) For ships "infected" or "suspected" as defined in Article 3 of the Public Health (Ships) Regulations, 1952, made by the Minister of Health:

The OUTER HARBOUR, inside the Breakwater.

(b) For all other ships which may be unhealthy within the meaning of the aforesaid Regulations:

Their place of mooring, discharge or loading.

In order to expedite the work of both the Customs Preventive and the Port Health Authorities and to ensure a minimum interference with shipping, and following discussion regarding liaison arrangements between the two Departments concerned, the following Standing Direction giving exemption in certain cases from the requirements of Article 24 of the Regulations was adopted on the 13th July, 1953:-

"Ships from infected areas reporting otherwise All Clear, both during the voyage and on arrival, may proceed to their ordinary place of mooring, discharge or loading and be granted Pratique in modified form, the Port Medical Officer being informed as soon as possible."

5. Arrangements for:-

(a) Hospital accommodation for infectious diseases (other than smallpox - See Section VII).

Infectious Diseases Hospital,  
Noahs Ark Road,  
Dover.

(under control of South East Kent Hospital Management Committee)

(b) Surveillance and follow-up of contacts:

Surveillance of contacts in case of the quarantinable diseases conducted from the Health Department within its area of jurisdiction; otherwise necessary follow-up is arranged through Health Authority at place to which contact is proceeding. Contacts in the case of non-quarantinable epidemic diseases are dealt with as found necessary having regard to the particular diseases involved.

(c) Cleansing and disinfection of ships, persons, clothing and other articles:

Infected quarters disinfected with formalin spray or fumigated as required.

Bedding and clothing removed to local Hospital for steam disinfection.

Cleansing station at local Infectious Diseases Hospital.

#### SECTION VII - SMALLPOX

1. Name of Isolation Hospital to which smallpox cases are sent from the district:

The River Hospitals,  
(Long Reach),  
DARTFORD,  
Kent.

2. Arrangements for transport of such cases to that hospital by ambulance, giving the name of the authority responsible for the ambulance and the vaccinal state of the ambulance crews:

Ambulance of Canterbury City Council available on request.

Special ambulance crew provided by the same Authority.

3. Name of smallpox consultant available:

Dr. R. Fletcher,  
30 Cheriton Gardens,  
FOLKESTONE,  
Kent.

4. Facilities for laboratory diagnosis for smallpox:

Central Public Health Laboratory,  
Colindale Avenue,  
Colindale,  
LONDON, N.W.9.

#### SECTION VIII - VENEREAL DISEASE

Information as to the location, days and hours of the available facilities for the diagnosis and treatment of venereal disease among merchant seamen under international arrangements, including inpatient treatment and the steps taken to make these facilities known to seamen:

Special Clinic, Royal Victoria Hospital, Dover.

Mondays and Thursdays at 6 p.m.

Distribution of Leaflets per Shipping Agents, Boarding Officers and Sanitary Inspectors.

Number of new patients attending from the high seas during the year:- 12. (4 Gonorrhoea: 8 Non-Venereal).



SECTION IX - CASES OF NOTIFIABLE AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES ON SHIPS 1955

TABLE D

Category	Disease	Number of cases during the year		Number of ships concerned
		Passengers:	Crew:	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports	Acute Poliomyelitis (M.P.)	1	-	1
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis (Quiescent)	1	-	1
	Chicken pox	1	-	1
	Measles	1	-	1
	Gastro-enteritis	3	-	3
	Tonsillitis	2	-	2
	Pneumonia	2	-	2
	Throat Infection	1	-	1
	Mumps	2	-	1
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival				
Cases landed from other ships	-	-	-	-

SECTION X - OBSERVATIONS ON THE OCCURRENCE OF  
MALARIA IN SHIPS

No cases of malaria were reported in ships arriving at the port during the year.

SECTION XI - MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST SHIPS  
INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED FOR PLAGUE

No measures were necessary during 1955.

In the event of finding plague-infected rats, vessels would be boomed off and fumigation of all compartments carried out with H.C.N.

SECTION XII - MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS  
FROM FOREIGN PORTS

1. Procedure for inspection of ships for rats:

Trade of port consists chiefly of cross-channel traffic, vessels of which are subjected to half-yearly routine inspections in connection with the issue of the necessary certificates under Regulation 19 of the Public Health (Ships) Regulations, 1952.

Additionally, any evidence of the presence of rodents on board occurring in the interval would be immediately reported by the British Railways Authority.

Other vessels entering the port are subjected to routine inspection by the Port Health Inspectors.

Port of Dover approved and designated for the issue of both Deratting and Deratting Exemption Certificates under Regulation 19 of the Public Health (Ships) Regulations, 1952.

2. Arrangements for the bacteriological or pathological examination of rodents, with special reference to rodent plague, including the number of rodents sent for examination during the year:

Although no action was necessary during 1955, any rats found on ships would be sent for necessary examination to the Public Health Laboratory at Maidstone.

3. Arrangements in the district for deratting ships, the methods used, and, if done by a commercial contractor, the name of the contractor:

Deratting carried out by contractors, viz. Fumigation Services, Ltd., Barking, Essex, using Hydrogen Cyanide gas under direction of Port Health Inspectors.

Minor infestations are dealt with by the Local Authority's Rodent Operator using Warfarin mainly.

4. Progress in the rat-proofing of ships:

No actual measures requested during 1955. With regard to the cross-channel vessels, rat proofing of store-rooms effectively maintained. Any deficiencies found in these or other vessels would be brought to the attention of masters and owners.

TABLE E

RODENTS DESTROYED DURING THE YEAR IN  
SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

Category:	Number:
Black rats	-
Brown rats	-
Species not known	-
Sent for examination	-
Infected with Plague	-



TABLE F  
DERATTING CERTIFICATES AND DERATTING EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES ISSUED DURING THE YEAR FOR SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

No. of Deratting Certificates issued		Total		Number of Deratting Exemption Certificates issued	Total Certificates issued
1.	2.	After trapping	After poisoning		
E.C.N.	Other fumigant (state method)				
1.	2.	3.	#4.	5.	7.
-	-	-	-	-	24

# State poisons used and number of Certificates issued after each poison.

SECTION XIII - INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCES

TABLE G  
INSPECTIONS AND NOTICES

Nature and number of Inspections:	Notices served:		Result of serving Notices:
	Statutory Notices:	Other Notices:	
BRITISH VESSELS .. .. 100	-	2	One notice complied with: in the case of the second, affecting water supply and repainting of accommodation, matters to receive attention at first opportunity.
FOREIGN VESSELS .. .. 71	-	-	
TOTAL .. .. 171	-	2	

The two notices served were in respect of the following defects and conditions:-

Dirt, Vermin etc. .. .. .	.. .. .	-
Defects of Original Construction .. ..	.. ..	1
Structural Defects through Wear and Tear		2

SECTION XIV

PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELL-FISH) REGULATIONS,

1934 and 1948

Information respecting any shell-fish beds or layings within the jurisdiction of the Authority stating whether they are, in the opinion of the Medical Officer of Health, liable to pollution. A report of any action taken, which should state whether any prohibited area has been prescribed, should be included.

There are no shell-fish beds or layings within the jurisdiction of the Authority.

SECTION XV - MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS

(applicable only to ports approved for the landing of aliens)

1. List of Medical Inspectors holding Warrants of Appointment:

Medical Officer of Health  
Drs. C. P. K. Toland and P. H. Garrard  
Drs. D. W. J. Radcliffe, D. W. Hall and R. J. L. Davis  
Dr. T. J. Cobbe  
Dr. T. J. Nicholl

2. List of other staff engaged on this work:

Mrs. K. A. Walker	Aliens Nurse
Mrs. J. W. Clarke	Relief Nurse
Miss N. G. Rees	Relief Nurse
Miss E. M. Holloway	Relief Nurse
Miss E. Joy	Relief Nurse

and one additional Relief Nurse whose services are required occasionally.

3. Organisation of work:

The aliens medical inspection work is carried out by the Medical Officer of Health, relief duties being undertaken by general medical practitioners on a weekly rota system. Similarly, nurse/attendant duties are carried out by the Aliens Nurse with relief assistance as required.

Since 1951 a feature of the arrangements has been the operation of an on-call scheme for the medical examination of aliens arriving by train ferry and car ferry instead of the routine attendance of a medical inspector at these services.

In 1955, during the summer season, the number of incoming services dealt with "on-call", with Ministry of Health and Home Office approval, averaged 9 per day.

The attendance at these services of the Aliens Nurse or a relief was, however, continued as usual on a routine basis.

4. Nature and Amount of Aliens Traffic:

Number of Aliens arriving at the Port:

YEAR:-	1953	1954	1955
Total Aliens:-	183,688	180,329	236,019

Aliens dealt with by the Medical Inspector:-

Year:	Total Aliens:	Medically Examined:	Percentage of Total Medically Examined:
1953	183,688	5,742	3.13
1954	180,329	6,310	3.49
1955	236,019	8,395	3.56

Categories in which Aliens were examined:-

1.	Holding Ministry of Labour Permits	..	..	..	7,752
2.	Intending to make their home in the United Kingdom				302
3.	Visitors	..	..	..	314
4.	Business Visitors	..	..	..	1
5.	Returning Residents	..	..	..	13
6.	Aliens in transit	..	..	..	12
7.	Others	..	..	..	1
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					8,395
					<hr/>

The certificates issued to the Immigration Officer numbered 59, ten of the aliens concerned being refused permission to land.

The rate of certificates issued in respect of aliens examined was 0.70% compared with 0.46% for the year 1954.

TABLE I

NATIONALITIES EXAMINED AND CERTIFICATES ISSUED

Nationality:				Males:	Fe- males:	Chil- dren:	Total:	No. of Certifi- cates:
Baltic States	{ Latvian, Poles and Finns			4	18	2	24	1
	{ U.S.S.R.    ..    ..    ..			-	-	-	-	-
	{ Norwegians, Swedes & Danes			7	31	-	38	-
Middle and Western European States	{ German    ..    ..    ..			278	2739	21	3038	14
	{ Austrian    ..    ..    ..			74	557	6	637	6
	{ Swiss    ..    ..    ..			62	579	-	641	2
	{ French    ..    ..    ..			57	119	1	177	2
	{ Belgian    ..    ..    ..			30	51	1	82	-
	{ Italian    ..    ..    ..			1294	1760	86	3140	25
	{ Spanish and Portuguese			26	68	-	94	-
	{ Czechs and Jugo-Slavs			9	183	63	255	3
	{ Luxembourg & Liechtenstein			2	1	-	3	-
Eastern European States	{ Dutch    ..    ..    ..			15	64	-	79	1
	{ Hungarian ..    ..    ..			4	2	-	6	-
	{ Rumanian and Bulgarian			-	-	-	-	-
Egypt, Syria, Libya and Asiatic States	{ Greeks    ..    ..    ..			21	51	1	73	3
	{ Lebanese    ..    ..    ..			-	1	-	1	-
	{ Egypt; Palestine; Iraq; Iran			6	5	6	17	-
	{ Yemen    ..    ..    ..			-	-	-	-	-
	{ Turkish; Armenian    ..			7	5	-	12	-
	{ Syrian; Libyan    ..    ..			-	1	-	1	-
	{ Chinese    ..    ..    ..			-	-	-	-	-
	{ Japanese    ..    ..    ..			1	-	-	1	-
North & South Americas	{ Siamese    ..    ..    ..			-	-	-	-	-
	{ Central and South America			2	1	-	3	-
	{ U.S.A.    ..    ..    ..			3	6	-	9	-
Stateless    ..    ..    ..				34	24	6	64	2
Totals    ..    ..    ..				1936	6266	193	8395	59



TABLE (2) - MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS

	Total:	Number subjected to detailed examination by the Medical Inspector:	Certificates Issued:				Trans- migrants:
			Unsound mind or mentally defect- ive: (A)	Undesir- able for medical reasons: B (1)	Physical Incapacity and/or likely to require medical treatment: B (2)	Conditionally landed for further medical exami- nation: (C)	
(a) Total number of Aliens landing at the Port	235,547	8,385	-	-	48	1	-
(b) Aliens refused per- mission to land by Immigration Officer	472	10	2	1	7	-	-
Total Aliens arriving	236,019	8,395	2	1	55	1	-

Number of Vessels attended by the Medical Inspector .. 1477 (including 18 liners and 1 yacht)

5. Accommodation for medical inspection and examination:

Admiralty Pier:

Inspection of aliens carried out in main Immigration Hall immediately on disembarkation. Two medical rooms provided in main Hall for more detailed inspection and examination as required.

Ferry Dock:

One medical room provided in main building for : examination of aliens.

Eastern Dockyard:

Two medical rooms provided.

SECTION XVI - MISCELLANEOUS

(arrangements for the burial on shore of persons who have died from infectious disease)

Interment as soon as possible by arrangement with local Cemeteries Department. Fully equipped mortuary provided by Local Authority for use if required.



SECTION XVII - FOOD INSPECTION

(1) Action taken under the Public Health (Imported Food) Regulations, 1937, the Public Health (Imported Milk) Regulations, 1926, and the Public Health (Preservatives etc. in Food) Regulations, 1925 to 1940.

Article of Foodstuff	France		Italy		Belgium		Spain		Israel		Algiers	
	tons	cwts	tons	cwts	tons	cwts	tons	cwts	tons	cwts	tons	cwts
Preserved Fruit	5402	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sweetbreads	2	17½	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salads	7	18	-	-	-	-	4	6	-	-	-	-
Vegetables	118	13	1910	0	-	1998	3	-	-	-	14	0
Frozen Fruit	9	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Preserved Meat	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Snails		18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Truffles		4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cheese		0¼	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Butter	332	15	11	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Macaroni	12	5	55	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuts					141	13	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fish					300	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Potatoes						3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chicory							47	12	-	-	-	-
Tomatoes							-	-	-	-	-	-
Preserved Tomatoes	7	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fruit Juice	15	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Strasbourg Sausages		4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pate de Foie		12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fresh Fruit	480	7	2539	13	-	2620	13	44	5	-	-	-
Totals	6397	0¾	4516	3	442	5	4670	14	44	5	14	0

Grand Total: 16,084 tons 7¾ cwts.

During the year it was found necessary to condemn as being unfit for human consumption  $5\frac{1}{2}$  cwts. of Apricots, Spanish produce.

Since 1946, the respective amounts of Imported Foodstuffs examined and such foodstuffs condemned have been as follows:-

YEAR	FOODSTUFFS EXAMINED				FOODSTUFFS CONDEMNED			
	tons.	cwts.	qtrs.	lbs.	tons.	cwts.	qtrs.	lbs.
1946	18813	3	3	0	75	16	1	6
1947	41596	12	0	15	284	7	3	13
1948	22034	14	0	0	47	19	0	0
1949	23406	8	1	19	-	4	0	22
1950	17805	14	0	26	-	7	0	0
1951	23421	11	3	9	12	6	2	$7\frac{1}{2}$
1952	8495	18	0	0	-	6	3	27
1953	11219	8	0	0	5	9	2	0
1954	16561	11	2	0	-	-	-	13
1955	16084	7	3	0	-	5	2	0

2. Action under Articles 11 and 12 of the Public Health (Imported Food) Regulations, 1937:

Details of Consignment:

Action Taken:

- |   |                       |
|---|-----------------------|
| 1. 20 Bundles Sausage Casings ( $2\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.)        | Detained and Exported |
| 2. Bundles Sausage Casings ( $3\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.)           | Detained and Exported |
| 3. Bundles Sausage Casings ( $9\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.)           | Detained and Exported |
| 4. 5 Bundles Sausage Casings ( $4\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.)         | Detained and Exported |
| 5. 10 Cases Strasbourg Sausages<br>(1 cwt. 17 lbs.)         | Detained and Exported |
| 6. 16 Cases Strasbourg Sausages<br>(2 cwt. 3 qtrs. 18 lbs.) | Detained and Exported |

The Sausage Casings were consigned by parcel post and were received at the G.P.O. Foreign Parcels Section. None were accompanied by Official Certificates.

The Strasbourg Sausages were also detained and subsequently re-shipped owing to the absence of Official Certificates.

3. Number of Samples of food examined by:-

(a) Bacteriologist Nil

(b) Analyst 14

- |                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| (1) Canned Luncheon Meat .. | Free from poisonous metals; nitrite content 10 parts per million, calculated as sodium nitrite; sample passes as genuine. |
| (2) Drained Cherries .. ..  | Free from sulphite and benzoate preservatives; contained no injurious metals or arsenic.                                  |
| (3) Artificial Strawberries | Free from sulphite and benzoate preservatives; no poisonous metals or arsenic.  |
| (4) Butter .. .. .          | Water content 16%; free from rancidity and foreign fat.   |

- |      |                              |    |    |    |    |    |  |
|------|------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|--|
| (5)  | Pears                        | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Faintwhite deposit apparent on surface of pears; arsenic 0.1 parts per million; copper 2 parts per million. Both metals well below the accepted maximum. |
| (6)  | Drained Cherries             | .. | .. |    |    |    | Free from preservatives and toxic colouring matters.   |
| (7)  | Angelica                     | .. | .. | .. | .. |    | Free from preservatives and toxic colouring matters.   |
| (8)  | Crystallised Fruit           | .. | .. |    |    |    | Sulphite preservative present to the extent of 110 parts per million as sulphur dioxide (See remarks).   |
| (9)  | Crystallised Fruit           | .. | .. |    |    |    | Sulphite preservative present to extent of 60 parts per million as sulphur dioxide.  |
| (10) | Pear Juice                   | .. | .. | .. |    |    | Free from metallic contamination and arsenic; no preservatives found.  |
| (11) | Mandarins                    | .. | .. | .. | .. |    | Free from thiourea.  |
| (12) | Preserved Fruit              | .. | .. |    |    |    | Sulphite preservative to the extent of 65 parts per million calculated as sulphur dioxide.   |
| (13) | Drained Cherries             | .. | .. |    |    |    | Free from sulphite preservative and contained no colouring matters listed as prohibited in the Regulations.  |
| (14) | "Pate de Foie with Truffles" | .. | .. |    |    |    | No sulphite or boric preservatives; no injurious metal or arsenic found; sample fresh.   |

REMARKS

With regard to sample No. 8 - Crystallised Fruit - although the excess sulphite preservative was not of a serious nature, the results of analysis were forwarded to the Medical Officer of Health of the district to which the goods were consigned. Sample No. 9 was taken from a consignment of the same brand and was reported as satisfactory.

